REMARKS:

Status Of Claims

Claims 1-20 were previously pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, and 18 have been cancelled and claims 3, 5, 19, and 20 have been amended. Thus, claims 3-6, 9-17, 19, and 20 are currently pending in the application with claims 3, 5, 9, 15, 19 and 20 being independent.

Office Action

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 3-6, 9-17, 19, and 20 are allowable. Thus, claims 3, 5, 19, and 20 have been amended to include the limitations of the rejected base claims. The remaining claims are presented here either as originally filed or previously amended.

In view of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance appears to be in order and such is courteously solicited.

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